Because you’ve been there, yourself...share your experiences with others who are going through difficult times right now.
Matching families with similar experiences and/or needs can make a positive difference in the lives of families who are struggling.

The Parent-to-Parent Support Program initiates a connection of a parent whose baby was in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) with a parent whose baby (with similar needs) is currently in the NICU at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital.

Parent Supporters
Are you able to be a parent supporter?

**TO BE A PARENT SUPPORTER, CANDIDATES MUST QUALIFY:**
- Parents must have had an infant who needed special care while in the NICU at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital.
- Parents must have an intimate experience and understanding of having a child with unique needs of any kind, to support at home and in the community.
- Parents must be willing to share their experiences and knowledge with other families who have babies with similar needs from the NICU.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF A PARENT SUPPORTER:**
- Fulfill required training by the Parent-to-Parent of Pennsylvania program and Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital NICU.
- Establish contact with your partnered parent, which is established by the Parent-to-Parent of Pennsylvania program.
- Share your experiences and knowledge with your assigned parent, and be available to them for questions and concerns.

**WE ENCOURAGE YOUR PARTICIPATION!**
For more information, contact Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania at 1-888-727-2706 or parenttoparent.org.

Interested in becoming a “Parent Supporter?”
Help other parents who are facing the challenges you are all too familiar with, having been in their shoes, yourself.

**HERE’S HOW IT WORKS:**
First, you’ll need to contact Parent-to-Parent of Pennsylvania (1-888-727-2706) to let them know of your interest in becoming a Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital NICU Parent Supporter.

Next, Parent-to-Parent will conduct an intake conversation with you, the interested Parent Supporter.

Finally, the Parent Supporter candidate will complete a Parent-to-Parent of Pennsylvania online training course, and in-person NICU training.